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1 OCTOBER 2004****OPERATIONAL SUMMARY****Significant Events**

- 300217Z Sep 04: 2d LAR engaged with IED/SAF 4km S of Camp Fallujah. LAV inadvertently backed into a ditch after the blast, resulting in 3 X FWIA's.
- 291411Z Sep 04: 3/5 engaged vehicle approaching resupply patrol north of Saqlawiyah. L 3/5 fired into the windshield. The vehicle swerved off the road into a canal and sank, resulting in 6 X civilians drowned.

Significant Messages

- COMUSMARCENT OIF 04-06 Planning Guidance. Identifies the validated force for OIF 04-06-1 and request MFP, MFL and MFR direct units listed to report for planning NLT 05 Oct 04 TO CG II MEF (FWD). (301951Z Sep 04)
- CMC Strategic Ground Equipment Working Group (SGEWG) Equip Cross-Leveling Development Confer 13-15 Oct 04. This msg disseminates planning guidance IOT prepare for the conference and promulgate the cross-leveling methodology and agenda. (301332Z Sep 04)
- USCENTCOM PLANORD for Non-Combatant Evacuation Operation (NEO) for the Sudan. MARCENT tasked to provide planning team/LNO to spt CJTF-HOA planning for Sudan NEO, as required. (301227Z Sep 04)
- USJFCOM Request Relief from CJCS OIF 04-06 EXORD MOD 013. Requests relief from the requirements to source and deploy four of five battalion AST's that were tasked to COMFORLANT. (301137Z Sep 04)
- COMMARFORPAC input for JQRR 10-04. (290010Z Sep 04)

General Officers

- CDRUSCENTCOM Gen Abizaid: Qatar
- COMUSMARCENT L Gen Gregson: Hawaii
- CG I MEF LtGen Sattler: Iraq
- DCG MARCENT BGen McAbee: Bahrain

Current

- NSTR

Upcoming Events

- 4 Oct: CENTCOM CCJ3P CM Conference, Qatar
- 4-6 Oct: NAVCENT Maritime Security Corporation Conference 04, Bahrain
- 6-8 Oct: USMC Judge Advocate Conference
- 7-8 Oct: ANA-ANP Conference, MacDill AFB
- 4-14 Oct: OIF-OEF 04-06 Force Deployment, Redeployment, and Rotation Force Flow Refinement Conference, Scott AFB, IL
- 5-7 Oct: Component AO Level OIF & OEF 05 - 07 Requirements Conf, Qatar

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- 12-14 Oct: JSD FP Conference, Qatar
- 18-19 Oct: CENTCOM Master Base Plan Review, MacDill AFB
- 20-21 Oct: Iraqi Civil Airspace Planning Group, Baghdad
- 20-22 Oct: Component Commanders Conference, MacDill AFB
- 23 Oct: II MEF Fwd OIF 04-06 Information Brief, MARCENT MacDill, AFB
- 25 Oct-5 Nov: JFCOM Joint Sourcing Working Group, Washington, DC
- 26-29 Oct: Critical Infrastructure Program Conference (CIP), San Diego, CA
- 3-5 Nov: CENTCOM OIF & OEF 05 - 07 Level Force Rotation Conference, Qatar
- 9 -10 Nov: JSD Detainee Conference, MacDill AFB
- 15 Nov: CENTCOM Readiness Seminar, MacDill AFB
- 15-16 Nov: HQMC Officers Monitor Visit, MacDill AFB
- 15-19 Nov: Joint CS/CSS Sourcing Conference, Norfolk, VA
- 16-18 Nov: CENTCOM FY 06 - 07 Exercise Scheduling Conference, MacDill AFB

MARCENT ORGANIZATION / UNIT SUMMARIES

OIF

I MEF (Al Asad, Iraq)

- TOA w/ II MEF 25 Mar 05.
- MNF-W conducted numerous offensive operations throughout the AO, such as in Husaybah, Ar Rutbah and Fallujah. AIF activity has been light and since September 25, MNF-W's AO has experienced a decrease in AIF attacks. Neither Ramadi nor Fallujah reported any major AIF activity.
- There were several IDF attacks but no serious injuries or damage was reported. A rocket impacted 2 km south of Camp Fallujah. No injuries or damage were reported. The 1-506 IN reported five rounds of IDF near Khalidiyah. There were no casualties or damage to equipment as a result of the attack. Elements of HQSVC BN 1st FSSG received a single round of SAF during a search and recovery mission on MSR Michigan east of Ramadi. One routine FWIA was evacuated to Camp TQ.

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- Combined security and stability operations (SASO), CA operations and Information Operations (IO) ISO IIG and ISF.
- RCT-1: continued Operations "RODEO" and counter rocket ops ISO Iraqi National Congress. Last night's illuminated sniper ops provided an opportunity for AC-130 and artillery to destroy enemy mortar tubes. Conducted review of checkpoint procedures to ensure that Iraqis have every opportunity to safely stop before crossing the trigger line.
- 2BCT(ME): continued Operation "RODEO," a series of raids and cordon & search ops in zone, to disrupt AIF command and control network. 2/5 conducted company raids ISO "RODEO." detained 14 IZs and confiscated numerous small arms, ammunition, and IED materials. 1-9 IN continued MSR security ops in

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zone. 1-503 IN continued Operation "SARATOGA" in Ameriya to deny AIF sanctuary and degrade AIF sustainment ops ISO future ops.

- RCT-7: detained 3 IZs at VCP with \$8,000 U.S. in counterfeit currency. Continued ops ISO Operation "RODEO." Continued reconnaissance patrols IOT determine status of border posts and establish presence along Syrian border. Force Recon conducted a limited scale raid. detained 13 IZs, including the target HVT, a known AIF.
- 24 MEU: continued counter rocket ops ISO Iraqi National Congress. Met with (b) (6) from the MOI to plan combined ops in Lutafiyah, Mahmudiyah, and Yusafiyah. AIF attacked an oil convoy in 1/2's zone killing 6 ISF and destroying 5 oil trucks; local IPS began investigation. CA visited 4 schools in zone to make final liaison for "BACK to SCHOOL."

11th MEU

- ALD 01 Feb 05.
- BLT 1/4 conducted CA patrols in zone IOT identify future CA projects, local contractors and to determine the overall sentiment of the local populace to CF.
- BLT conducted area reconnaissance patrols in zone and in the vicinity of Kufah MEU Restricted Maneuver Area (RMA) to provide a CF presence.

3d MAW

- Continuing to support I MEF throughout the AO.

1st FSSG

- Focused efforts continue towards reaching a fuel stockpile in excess of 2.1 million gals at Al Asad. We currently hold more than 1.1 million gals in 1st FSSG tanks, and with almost 400k gals in other storage at Al Asad, we should reach the target stockpile within the next few days. As we approach the fiscal year close-out, the SMU is conducting a review of over 9,000 DASF records with two primary goals: to ensure that all necessary corrective action is taken to mitigate potential reverted funds; and to screen towards I MEF Comptroller goal of recouping 12 million dollars in cancellations.

MCSOCOM Det 1 (Baghdad, Iraq)

- Continuing redeployment to CONUS

31st MEU

- Redeploy O/A Nov.
- Conducting training ashore at Udairi Range, Kuwait.
- Training and maintenance will be completed NLT 2 Oct 04 for employment as CENTCOM reserve.
- All shortfalls previously identified have been filled or are being identified for fill.

4th ANGLICO Det C (Camp Babylon, Iraq)

- Rotate Mar 05.
- ANGLICO continues to support and coordinate operations ISO MND-CS.

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- Rotate Mar 05.
- Conducted VECOP ops at (3) designated entry points, mobile and roving patrols, and RAMs within the compounds. Deployed EOD to three MWD hits on sand trucks. All incidents cleared.

Coalition Military Assistance and Training Team (CMATT) (Iraq)

- Main Effort: is to continue to build, train, and put the Iraqi Intervention Force and the Regular Army into operation.
- Supporting Efforts: Build other Iraqi Security Force components, Iraqi Coastal Defense Force (ICDF), and the Iraqi Air Force (IzAF).

VMAQ-2 (Tallil, Iraq)

- Redeploy Jan 05.
- Sorties flown 29 Sep: 4

MCE – Kuwait (Arifjan, Kuwait)

- 31st MEU update: MCE-K continues to monitor the delivery of (25) CPP HMMWVs by 2 Oct. The MEU staff understands that all 25 CPPs will be delivered without BFT. The MEU is analyzing whether to have additional SYSCOM vehicle armor shipped to Kuwait for installation prior to their 3 Oct convoy; or to have the armor shipped to Al Asad for future installation. Flying the armor from TQ to Al Asad may be the only feasible option due to time constraints.
- Single Ticket IPT conducted with I MEF, MCE-K, and CFLCC staff.

Fox Vehicle Det (Kuwait)

- Coordinating intent to redeploy message with CFLCC.
- Continuing to assist CFLCC and ASG (KU) to develop appropriate mission, tasks and training

Bravo Co, 2nd Medical Bn Det (KUWAIT)

- Rotate Mar 05.
- Provide level I/II HSS for Camps Virginia, Blue Herring, Victory, Navistar, KNB, and SPOD.

NAVCENT VBSS (Bahrain)

- Will redeploy o/a 1 Nov 04.
- Supporting CTF-58 in the waterways of southern Iraq.
- Continuing execution of CP&I patrols and building IPB/OPB along KAA/SAA focusing on key Iraqi infrastructure and known smuggling areas.

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- Staggered rotation.
- Conducted route counter surveillance ISO of FP.

Patient Admin Teams (Landstuhl, GE)

- Landstuhl Patient Count: 20 Non-hostile (NH), 5 Hostile (H)
- Iraq: 30 NH, 7 H
- Kuwait: 0 NH, 3 H

OEF**3/6 (Bagram, Afghanistan)**

- TOA with 3/3 o/a 25 Nov
- In Khowst/Paktia area we will continue to operate in the K-G pass area over the next five days to deny ACM freedom of movement and action through this major LOC. We will also be conducting presence patrols in the city proper. As we draw closer to the elections we will establish a secondary vehicular QRF capable of responding to situations in the Khowst Bowl within 45 minutes. The air deployable IRF platoon will continue to function as our primary means of reacting to situations in more remote areas of the AO and will be deployed on order from TF Thunder.

Anti-Terrorism Security Force (Bagram, Afghanistan)

- Redeploy o/a 30 Nov
- Supporting Afghanistan elections

HMLA-773(-) (Bagram, Afghanistan)

- Rotate personnel during October
- Sorties flown 29 Sep: 0

HMH-769 (Bagram, Afghanistan)

- Redeploy during October
- Sorties flown 30 Sep: 4
- HMH-462(-) ADVON on deck, main body arrives o/a 18 Oct

MSF-Kabul (Kabul, Afghanistan)

- Rotate during Jan 05
- Redeploy designated elements during November
- Normal security operations and engineering improvements continue

USMC ANA Training Det (Pol-E-Charkhi, Afghanistan)

- Det 1 rotate LAD 25 Oct.
- Det 2 LAD 25 Oct.
- Conducting presence, security, counter rocket and ambush patrols IVO of FOBS at Shkin, Lwara, Naray, and Zormat.

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- On 19 Oct 04, flight window opens up for the 8 Marines from MARDET IV to start RIP with MARDET III for the last two weeks of October 2004.

MACS-2 Det (Bagram, Afghanistan)

- Rotate during October
- The TAOC controlled (13) CAS missions, (6) AAR missions and (0) TIC events. The Command and Control Radio Team (C2RT) at FOB Salerno controlled (5) CAS missions and (0) TIC.

Camp Lemonier FOS (Djibouti)

- Interim Marine Corps Security Force (IMCSF) company and one (1) NAVCENT Fast Platoon has departed Camp Lemonier. Conducted several live fire exercises and successful training events.
- Continuing Camp support operations.

HMH-461 (Camp Lemonier, Djibouti)

- Rotate o/a 25 Nov 04.
- Sorties flown 30 Sep: 0

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From 291900DSEP04 to 301900DSEP04

IMEF Situation Report

DTG: 302200DSEP04

1. **Commander's Assessment:** Following effective shaping operations in Fallujah and Ramadi, MNF-W is assessing emerging AIF TTPs, in which AIF, in anticipation of a MNF-W operation in Fallujah, seek to stage weapons and establish a reserve of fighters outside of Fallujah. Intelligence reports that entire neighborhoods in Fallujah are being de-populated to ensure buffer around AIF C2 nodes. MNF-W's ongoing shaping operations will target these staging areas and C2 nodes and deny AIF strategic stockpiles and reserves anywhere in the MNF-W battle space.

The overall number of AIF attacks continues to remain slightly below expected levels of intensity. The AO also saw scattered IED and SAF attacks, especially IVO Iskandariyah and Ramadi, and sustained IDF IVO Camp Fallujah and Ramadi. The prolonged decrease in AIF activity in Fallujah and Ramadi is assessed to be due the good effects of ongoing shaping operations. Various MNF-W shaping operations keep the AIF off-balance and unsure of MNF-W future intentions.

In Najaf, the lack of AIF activity is assessed to be due to changing atmospherics following MNF-W clearing operations and (b) (6) marginalization. MNF-W continues to monitor MM efforts to intimidate the pro-IIG and MNF-W majority. Intimidation of citizens and key civic/governmental leaders across the AO remains a primary mission associated with upcoming operations. MNF-W will ensure that future shaping operations will include specific anti-intimidation missions.

MNF-W units executed a series of coordinated shaping operations in the MNF-W AO. MNF-W TF used fixed wing air to engage an AIF meeting place in eastern Fallujah, with good effects, causing secondary explosions from an adjacent building believed to store munitions. A Recon platoon conducted a combined cordon and knock with Hillah SWAT IVO Mahmudiyah, detaining (b) (6). A Co-sized unit conducted a cordon and knock IVO Udasiyah and detained (b) (6). (b) (6) Another Co-sized unit initiated an operation IVO Ramadi and took a total of 13 AIF detainees. Another CO-sized element conducted a raid on the residence of (b) (6) IVO Habbaniyah and detained an additional 3 Individuals. While conducting boarder inspections at the POE in Husaybah, a MNF-W unit detained suspected (b) (6), who is believed to be (b) (6).

Intelligence Overview of the AO: Ramadan will provide the enemy an opportunity to enhance his freedom of movement during the nighttime hours, as many Iraqis will challenge curfews to travel to visit friends and family during this season. Islamic extremists will find increased motivation to conduct attacks against MNF "infidels." Should the national food-rationing program (PDS) suffer a shortage during this period of high demand, public violent unrest may result as in past years. This season also offers an opportunity for Sunni extremists to attack Shi'a religious venues due to the increased number of pilgrims visiting Shi'a holy sites in the south.

Fallujah-based insurgents will continue to conduct IDF attacks against MNF bases in the area. FF facilitators will continue to bring in new fighters through Syria and build FF numbers in preparation for an MNF attack on Fallujah. Insurgents will continue to attack MNF forces in the outlying areas,

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particularly Karmah, with IEDs and SAF. The Zaidon area continues to be a weapons storage and launch area for IDF attacks against Baghdad. Continued reporting indicates that Abu Ghurayb continues to be a highlighted target. Indicators support an attack on Abu Ghurayb during Ramadan to draw media attention and focus back onto Baghdad. MDCOA would be for simultaneous to consecutive attacks that include Abu Ghurayb as well as Political targets to the south.

In N Babil, IDF attacks throughout the AO have declined. Insurgent leadership will likely remain hidden to reconstitute their networks and resurface to mount attacks in retaliation to MNF operations. The beginning of the Shi'a pilgrimage season has begun to bring large numbers of pedestrians to the roads leading south through the Babil area. Sunni extremists may use this opportunity to sow sectarian strife in Iraq by conducting attacks against the large Shi'a crowds that are expected to pass through this area (See current I MEF INTSUM for further details).

2. Current Ops

- 1st MarDiv
 - **Commander's Assessment:** In AO Raleigh enemy activity IVO Falluja has decreased over the past several days. This is likely due to the success of MNF strikes against AIF leadership. Insurgents will continue to attack MNF forces in the outlying areas of Falluja with IEDs, IDF, and small arms. MNF operations uncovered several arms caches, which were found IVO MNF firm bases. The proximity of the caches to the MNF bases indicate that they were probably established to support future attacks.

In AO Topeka MNF continue to deal with daily harassing attacks. AIF standoff attacks have increased recently, particularly attacks using IEDs. This increase is likely due to insurgents resuming their normal tempo after recent MNF Operations "HURRICANE I & II" disrupted the enemy's ability to carry out attacks. The MNF LP/OP at the Government Center was once again the target of AIF attacks; a small arms attack against MNF there was the first in several days.

In AO Denver three Iraqi Border Police (IBP) border forts have been looted and destroyed in recent weeks, the latest within 5 km of an MNF VCP. Several of these border forts had been built as part of a Civil Affairs project to increase border security. During the destruction of the most recent fort, explosives were placed inside the building while it was unmanned. The destruction of the border forts is likely an act of defiance and harassment by AIF, but could also be an attempt by smugglers to disrupt counter-smuggling operations along the border.

We will continue shaping ops ISO future ops in Falluja and N. Babil. Use of CJSOTF, MNF air strikes, and organic forces will help us to shape the battle space. We also continue to plan for use of 31 MEU in our western sector ISO of RCT-7's future ops IVO Falluja.

Operating Principle Reminder: All Blue Diamond elements are reminded to consistently use all of the personal protective equipment available, to maximize the use of the armored protection of your vehicles when out side of firm bases, and to leave your vehicles only when necessary when traveling through areas where IEDs are common. The enemy is waiting for us to make careless mistakes: Complacency Kills.

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- **Actions during previous 24 hours**

- Combined security and stability operations (SASO), CA operations and Information Operations (IO) ISO IIG and ISF.
- **RCT-1:** continued Operation "RODEO." Continued combined patrols with SSF and ING. 3/1 caught 7-8 AIF emplacing IEDs and engaged the enemy. Results: 2 EKIA and 2 IEDs destroyed by EOD.
- **2BCT(ME):** continued Operation "RODEO," a series of raids and cordon & search ops in zone, to disrupt AIF command and control network. 2/5 conducted raid ISO "RODEO." Detained 21 IZ on 3 targets. 1-9 IN continued MSR security ops in zone. 1-503 in continued "SARATOGA" in Ameriyah to deny AIF sanctuary and degrade AIF sustainment ops. 1-506 IN conducted raid on HVT: detained 13 IZs.
- **RCT-7:** continued ops ISO Operation "RODEO." 1/7 supported Force Recon cordon & knock ops. Conducted cordon & knock on home of suspected AIF in Ar Rutbah: detained 4 IZs.
- **24 MEU:** CA conducted an assessment visit on the Eskin IP station. MSSG CA met with U.S. Aid representative to coordinate delivery of school supplies and equipment.
- **2/11:** escorted fuel convoy to Al Asad. Escorted FSSG equipment convoy to Kuwait.

- 3d MAW

- **Commander's Assessment:** Trend analysis indicates that IED attacks against Coalition are beginning to occur at an increased rate. IED attacks in Ar Ramadi along the MSRs will continue to be a favored tactic among insurgents due to our reliance on these routes and the low risk/high payoff nature of such attacks. The recent attack on one of our Wing convoys serves as a reminder that those participating in convoy operations must have a thorough understanding of Wing TTPs. They are designed to protect Marines conducting convoys and to ensure quick and timely help arrives in the event of an attack. In this case, the knowledge of convoy TTPs quite possibly saved the lives of our Marines.

The middle of October starts the historic weather period of frontal activity in the AOR. We can expect to see increased sustained winds and cloud cover. Associated with these frontal movements will be increased blowing sand and dust storms that will significantly reduce visibility. Aircrews should not squander the opportunities now to practice and familiarize themselves with the published IMC approaches to FOBs. Additionally, aircrews should begin to discuss impacts of weather on weapons employment and tactics.

- 1st FSSG

- **Commander's Assessment:** Steady state support operations continue throughout the IMEF AOR, and preparations for Operation PHANTOM FURY continue across the spectrum of logistics capabilities.

At Camp Fallujah CSSB-1 has received OPCON of the 1st Marine Division basic load ammunition holding area to streamline the storage, issue, and transportation of ammunition resupply for 1st Marine Division units that will be operating IVO Fallujah BLAHA IOT facilitate Class V surge. CSSB-1 will be provided short-term augmentation of ammunition techs until the surge effort concludes. At the Camp Taqaddum ASP, CSSG-15 is currently building an additional 140 pallets of resupply ammunition for RCT-1. IOT further replenish stocks at TQ in anticipation of follow-on requisitions from Fallujah units, CSSG-15 is preparing to also move some ammunition stocks from Camp Al Asad to the TQ ASP.

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CSSB-7 completed recovery of a LVS vehicle that had rolled and caught fire on MSR Mobile enroute to Korean Village on 28 Sep. Regrettably, only 10% of the US Mail in the cargo container on the truck could be saved from the fire, for delivery to Korean Village on 29 Sep.

Throughout the past 20 hours the 1/503rd IN and 2/10 have been performing coordinated patrols, OPs, VCPs, and established sniper overwatch of suspected sites to the east of Camp Taqaddum that have served as POO rocket baskets on several Thursday nights during the past month. Regardless of the outcome tonight, improved coordination between our adjacent battle spaces will improve the security of Camp Taqaddum, and further safeguard the ability to generate combat power that is represented by the 3d MAW assets that operate from this location.

- MEG

- **Commander's Assessment:** Currently working designs for the two low water bypasses on ASR Uranium just North of Ar Ramadi. Understand the prioritization of the effort on ASR Uranium to focus on areas South of Al Asad to facilitate the future establishment of the COSCOM hub at Al Asad. Currently no funding exists for this effort but we have requested through the IMEF Engineer funding for just over \$1.0 M to execute this effort (fill, stone, culverts and concrete).

It appears there is a concerted effort to deny access to the raw Class IV materials required to execute concrete construction. While some areas such as TQ have been unable to procure these materials locally for some time, areas such as Al Asad, where supplies have been readily available, find they can no longer procure from sources they had established working relationships with. In the case of these materials, there are obvious stockpiles and quarries operating nearby whose operators refuse to sell to Coalition Forces. We are working to resolve this issue, but in the meantime it remains an impediment to successful execution of several key IMEF projects.

- 4th CAG

- **Commander's Assessment:** 4th CAG participated in the final day of the MEF OPT and, a meeting with Department of State representatives to coordinate Embassy support into our on-going planning efforts. Our CA Teams continued to plan for the tactical CMO required during operations in Fallujah-Ramadi and elsewhere in the AO. We also continued our emphasis on the back-to-school preparations and the improvement of local Iraqi Police. Of significance, our GST held meetings with two of the provincial Directors General in Baghdad in order to reopen our communications with this critical element of the provincial government.

- **CMO Team Activities**

- **RCT-1 / AO Raleigh**

- CA TM 2/1 visited Al Anbar Technical Institute. There are 1800 students currently enrolled in one or more of the 10 departments at the institute: mechanical, electrical, chemical and systems engineering, as well as management, accounting, business, secretarial, health, and computer science. Most students do not appreciate our presence. The faculty, however, is supportive and excited to work with us. There are

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- 38 similar institutes throughout Iraq. They offer excellent Military Civic Action opportunities that will have a valuable impact on the community and region.
- A significant number of applicants for the Iraqi Highway Patrol were at the FLT for interviews and paperwork.
 - The CA Team visited Kandari City Council and discussed projects in the city and the upcoming school year. The City Council Chairman stated that there are 28 schools in the area with about 500 students in each, totaling more than 10,000 students. A list of 6 schools remaining to be repaired was given to the CA TL to verify that bids are on file. Two of the schools were found in the archives. The remaining will be located, and if needed, new bids will be accepted.
 - Also discussed water project at Al Thebiyah village and presented it to the SeaBees. The project would serve 800 families.
- **24th MEU / North Babil**
 - The team visited 4 Schools in the Haswah area in order to make final liaison for Operation "BACK to SCHOOL."
 - The team spent the day screening IP candidates for the upcoming October IP Academy classes; there were 103 potential candidates. Approximately 90 passed upon initial review. There are 40 candidates from the September screening who will be shipped to the Academy classes in October. Along with the estimated 90, this will put us at 130 candidates for 110 allotted seats. The CA team will work with the MEU to try to get the additional 20 seats.

3. Last 24 Hours

301430DSEP04 Hadithah Police Report Children Allegedly Shot By Marines

The Hadithah Police contacted the LCC at the South Gate of Hadithah Dam with a report that (7) children were allegedly shot by US Marines approximately 1600m to the SW of Camp Hadithah. The Hadithah Police contacted the LCC with a report that (2) of the children are in surgery and (5) are in stable condition. No Marines or Coalition Forces were operating in that vicinity nor did Marines or Coalition Forces fire any shots. The Hadithah Police Chief investigated and reported that other uninjured children in the vicinity told him "there was an explosion and a big puff of black smoke." Additionally, the Police Chief reports the (7) injured children all had wounds from the waist down. Initial assessment by 1/8 is that the children were injured by a short mortar or rocket round fired at the Dam or they tripped an explosive device. UPDATE 302119D: *The Hadithah Police Chief contacted the LCC and stated it is his belief that US Marines were not involved in the incident. Doctors at the hospital report shrapnel from an explosion caused the children's injuries.* 1/8 continues to investigate.

301215DSEP04 1/7 Detains Individual Believed to Be Sniper in Husaybah

1/7 was conducting boarder inspections at the POE in Husaybah B Co detained (1) individual male suspected of being (b) (6). He is believed to be the sniper that has been attacking Marines in and around Husaybah. He is also believed to be (b) (6). He is currently being processed into the Camp Husaybah detention facility.

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CJSOTF-TF successfully executed a strike on an objective in eastern Al Fallujah. (2) GBU-38s struck the target. Secondary explosions were observed from an adjacent building believed to store munitions. BDA unknown.

300230DSEP04 2BCT Conducts Operation BULLDOG NE Of Habbaniyah

2BCT (-) conducted Operation BULLDOG in the Jazeera area, encompassing the area NE of Habbaniyah to disrupt AIF in order to interdict AIF indirect capability and neutralize AIF C2 in the area. The sweep covered an area of 11km by 3km and expanded south of ASR Mobile, north of the Euphrates River, and west of the Thar Thar Canal. (49) personnel detained to possibly include (b) (6). (2) sniper rifles and (12) hand grenades were found.

300217DSEP04 IED & SAF Attack on 2nd LAR South of Camp Fallujah

2nd LAR was attacked with an IED and SAF 4km south of Camp Fallujah. LAR returned fire with 25mm and the enemy ceased fire. (1) LAV-25 rolled into a ditch along the side of the road as it was maneuvering, resulting in (3) Routine FWIA and a disabled LAV-25. A QRF was launched to help secure the area. A search was conducted with NSTR. BDA unknown. FWIA were ground-MedEvac to Bravo Surgical and arrived at 300439D. At 300520D, CSSB-1 launched recovery assets to retrieve the LAV-25.

300200DSEP04 2/5 Conducts Operation RODEO in Eastern Ramadi

2/5 initiated Operation RODEO II in eastern Ramadi. 2/5 reported that they took (3) detainees from the objective. During RTB, a UAV reported several personnel returning to the objective. G/2/5 returned to the area and detained (10) additional personnel for a total of (13) detainees. No casualties reported.

300110DSEP04 1-506 Conducts OBJ ANCHORMAN II NW of Habbaniyah

A/1-506 conducted a raid on the residence of (b) (6) 2km NW of Habbaniyah, as part of Operation BULLDOG. (13) Individuals were detained. A/1-506 also impounded (1) black opal and (1) other vehicle.

4. Next 24 Hours

- 1st MarDiv
 - SASO, CA and IO ISO IIG and ISF. Continue enduring operations.
 - **RCT-1:** conducts ops ISO "RODEO" IOT disrupt AIF attacks on MSRs and to prevent MNF forces from being diverted from future ops IVO Falluja and continues shaping ops IVO Falluja. 2d Recon Bn continues patrolling ops in zone to disrupt AIF IED and IDF attacks. Conducts Operation "FIREFLY" sniper ops in the industrial area of Falluja on 30 September.
 - **2BCT(ME):** on 03 October, 44 EN conducts a cache search IVO Al Ta'mim to deny AIF cache/sustainment ops. On 3-6 October and 6-9 Oct, 1-503 IN conducts movements to contact in zone to destroy enemy caches and deny enemy staging and operating areas. On 7 October, 2-17 FA conducts a cordon & search of the Tammin glass factory to disrupt AIF activity IVO Camp Ramadi.
 - **RCT-7:** continues ops ISO "RODEO." 1/8 conducts cordon & knock ops ICW CJSOTF and Force Recon. SCC Det continues patrols along river and lake. O/O, 1/23 conducts cordon & knock to detain/capture HVTs (b) (6). 3d LAR

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Bn continues an area reconnaissance in zone along the Syrian border to inspect the border forts.

- **24 MEU:** on 30 September, conduct raids at two locations IVO MSR Tampa: targets are suspected of making IDF attacks. On 2 Oct, conducts ops ISO "RODEO," IVO Mahmudiyah. On 4 Oct, conducts ops ISO "RODEO," focused in Yusufiyah. BLT attends the first day of school on 1 October. On 2 October the ING will conduct screening and recruiting for 20 soldiers to bring their companies up to authorized strength. This recruiting day will be followed by a 10-day "boot camp" to be conducted locally.
- **2/11:** continues the movement of FSSG equipment to Kuwait.

5. Major Unit Locations

Unit	Location	Grid
I MEF CP	Camp Al-Fallujah	(b) (1) 1.4(a), (b)(1)1.7(e)
MEG CP	Camp Al-Fallujah	(b) (1) 1.4(a), (b)(1)1.7(e)
1 st Mar Div CP	Camp Blue Diamond HQ	(b) (1) 1.4(a), (b)(1)1.7(e)
RCT 7 CP	Camp Al-Asad	(b) (1) 1.4(a), (b)(1)1.7(e)
RCT 1 CP	Camp Al-Fallujah	(b) (1) 1.4(a), (b)(1)1.7(e)
1/1 BCT	Camp Ar Ramadi	(b) (1) 1.4(a), (b)(1)1.7(e)
24 MEU	FOB Kalsu	(b) (1) 1.4(a), (b)(1)1.7(e)
3 rd MAW	Camp Al Asad	(b) (1) 1.4(a), (b)(1)1.7(e)
1 st FSSG CP	Camp Taqaddum	(b) (1) 1.4(a), (b)(1)1.7(e)
CSSG-15	Camp Taqaddum	(b) (1) 1.4(a), (b)(1)1.7(e)
CSSG-11	Camp Blue Diamond HQ	(b) (1) 1.4(a), (b)(1)1.7(e)
11 MEU	FOB Duke	(b) (1) 1.4(a), (b)(1)1.7(e)

6. Combat Power (Air)

AH-1W	UH-1N	CH-46E	CH-53E	FA-18D	KC-130	AV-8B	RQ-2B	UC-35
35/29	18/13	59/41	23/14	12/10	6/5	16/11	7/7	1/1
83%	72%	70%	61%	83%	83%	69%	100%	100%

Combat Power (Ground) (USMC)

HMMWV TOW	HMMWV HARDBACK	AAV FOV	LAV FOV	TANK COMBAT	HOWITZER M198
118/111	516/480	105/95	123/100	42/37	24/23
94%	93%	90%	81%	88%	96%

Combat Power (Ground) (Army)

M1/A1/A2	M2/A1/A2	MORTAR 81MM	HOWITZER M109A6	SCOUT HMMWV Armored	SCOUT HMMWV Unarmored
30/23	44/29	12/8	6/6	99/76	28/26
77%	66%	67%	100%	77%	93%

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SIGACT Report Theater: ROAR

**** SIGACT CLOSED

Title: IED AND SAF ATTK ON 2LAR PATROL SOUTH OF CAMP FALLUJAH: 3 CF WIA

Tracking Number: MEF LNO-42862196 Report Precedence: ROUTINE

Classification: ~~SECRET~~ Releasability: ~~REL TO USA, EGY, FIN, KWT, IRKS, NATO~~

Reporting Unit Name: Not Provided Report Source: Coalition

Report URL: http://cidneonus.centcom.smil.mil/LiteReportView.cfm?module=operations&reporttype=SIGACT&reportkey=21F58ECC-5CAF-4E8E-B87F-56BA18516105

SPOT Report

Unit Name Involved: Not provided Call Sign: Not Reported

Type Of Involved Unit: None Selected Involved Unit Activity: NONE SELECTED

Incident Reported By: Not Reported Battlespace Lead: Not Reported

Tip Reported By: Not Reported

DTG Of Incident (Zulu Time): 2004-09-30 02:17 DTG Updated (Zulu Time): 2004-09-30 03:40

Location

~~(S//REL TO USA, EGY, FIN, KWT, IRKS, NATO)~~

MGRS: 38S LB938808 ☐ Coords Unknown

AOR: Not Reported Province: Anbar

Region: Not Reported District: Not Reported

Country: IRAQ City: Not Reported

Village: Not Reported

Events

~~(S//REL TO USA, EGY, FIN, KWT, IRKS, NATO)~~

Environment Type: Not Reported

Event Type: Explosive Hazard Modes Of Attack: Improvised Explosive Device (IED)

Event Category: IED Explosion

Primary: Yes

Actions Taken: Not Reported Suicide?: No

How Device Was Found:

Coordinated Attack: No Complex Attack: No Counter Attack: No MEDEVAC Requested: No

Associated Organizations

SIGACT Summary

Summary: ~~(S//REL TO USA, EGY, FIN, KWT, IRKS, NATO)~~ AT 0217D, 2ND LAR WAS ATTACKED WITH AN IED AND SAF 4KM

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SOUTH OF CAMP FALLUJAH (38S LB 938 808). LAR RETURNED FIRE WITH 25MM AND THE ENEMY CEASED FIRE. (1) LAV-25 ROLLED INTO A DITCH ALONG THE SIDE OF THE ROAD AS IT WAS MANEUVERING, RESULTING IN (3) ROUTINE US WIA AND A DISABLED LAV-25. A QRF WAS LAUNCHED TO HELP SECURE THE AREA. A SEARCH WAS CONDUCTED WITH NSTR. BDA UNKNOWN. WIA'S WERE GROUND-EVAC TO BRAVO SURGICAL AND ARRIVED AT 0439D. AT 0520D, CSSB-1 LAUNCHED RECOVERY ASSETS TO RETRIEVE THE LAV-25

Enemy			Blue Forces			CIV-NGO-ASG			Host Nation		
KIA	WIA	DET	KIA	WIA	ABD	KIA	WIA	ABD	KIA	WIA	ABD
0	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Requirements

Capture Details

Casualty Details

Target(s) of Attack

DRUGREP Details

Show

Evidence Report Details